20. *Princess Dhrru Shever Childrens Hospital:*—
General purpose treatment and routine diagnostic procedures.

21. *Hari Prasad Memorial Hospital:*—
General purpose treatment and routine diagnostic procedures.

22. *Shri Bhagwan Devi Maternity & Orthopaedic Hospital:*—
General purpose Orthopaedic & Obs. Gynac treatment procedures.

23. *Kamenini Hospital:*—
All purpose (General & Specialised).

Hill Highway in Kerala

4807. PROF. P.J. KURIEN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was a proposal to construct a hill highway in the western ghats region of Kerala;

(b) whether it is still under consideration of the Government; and

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay and the time by which it is likely to be constructed?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b) The Central Government is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways only. Development of all other roads lies within the jurisdiction of the respective State Govt. No proposal to construct a hill highway in Western Ghats region of Kerala has been received nor is it under consideration.

(c) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Chakma Refugees

4808. JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA:
SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Chakma tribals of Bangladesh, who migrated to India over the last one decade, are residing in the refugee camps in Tripura;

(b) if so, whether the Government have held any talks to safely repatriate them to Bangladesh in the present changed political scenario;

(c) if so, the outcome of the said talks;

(d) if not, whether the Government propose to reinitiate talks afresh in the matter:

(e) whether the Government have held talks with the Government of Bangladesh on the question of autonomy for tribals for finding a permanent solution to this long pending matter; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Chakma refugees of Bangladesh are presently housed in the refugee camps in Tripura.

(b) to (d) Soon after Awami League formed the Government in Dhaka, the Foreign Secretary visited Bangladesh as Special Envoy of the Prime Minister from July 5-7, 1996 and discussed this issue along with other matters. The Foreign Secretary was told by Bangladesh authorities that there was a strong desire in Bangladesh to resolve the issue through early repatriation of Chakma refugees. During the recent visit of Bangladesh Foreign Secretary to Delhi, from August 6—9, 1996 the Bangladesh side again expressed willingness to take back the remaining Chakma refugees. It was conveyed to the Bangladesh Foreign Secretary that India was keen to ensure the voluntary repatriation of the Chakma refugees as early as possible. It has also been suggested that visits by the elected representatives from the Chittagong Hill Tracts region to the refugee camps would help to instil confidence in the refugees to return to their homes in safety and dignity.

(e) and (f) No, Sir. Government's primary role has been to facilitate a dialogue between the Chakma refugees who are the Bangladeshi nationals, and the Government of Bangladesh in this matter.

[*English*]

N.H. by Private Sector in U.P.

4809. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh has submitted to the Union Government certain road development projects of National Highways through private sector financing;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Report on Indo-Pak Boundary Issue

4810. DR. G.R. SARODE : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that Mrs. Babra Lech Lapore, Analyst of Asian Development Bank, has submitted a report to 'American Congress' regarding Boundary issue between India and Pakistan;

(b) whether the Government are aware of the findings of the reports; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) Yes, Sir. Mrs. Barbara Leitch LePoer, Analyst in Asian Affairs in the Foreign Affairs and National Defence Division of the US Congressional Research Servise (CRS) has prepared a report for the US Congress entitled "India and Pakistan Border Conflict: Background and Ongoing Problems".

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The report is largely factual. However, in the section subtitled Kashmir, there are some factual errors regarding the accession to India and the holding of plebiscite in Kashmir. Our Embassy in Washington has taken up the matter with the author of the report and has provided the factual information to her so that the errors are corrected in future reports of the CRS.

IIT, Kharagpur

4811. DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the MRDC has decided to commercialise potential technologies from IIT Kharagpur both inside the country and abroad;

(b) if so, whether any MoU has been signed in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. For the purpose, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between IIT Kharagpur and NRDC on 29.5.95 which is valid for 3 years.

(c) The salient features of the MoU are licensing & commercial exploitation for the patented technologies/ processes; wide publicity of the availability of the processes; generation of necessary market data/profiles; remittance of royalty and fees etc. In case of copyrights to be taken in any foreign country, the expenses will be shared by both the partners.

Defence Allocation and Expenditure

4812. SHRI RAM NAIK : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated for Ministry of Defence during the General Budgets for the years 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96, year-wise;

(b) the funds actually spent out of those, year-wise;

(c) whether the actual expenditure has been adversely affected by the rise in petroleum prices and inflation; and

(d) if so, the extent thereof;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N SOMU) : (a) and (b) The position of allocation and actual expenditure on Defence is as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Final Allocation	Actual Expenditure
1993-94	21960	21485
1994-95	23544	23245
1995-96	26875	26842*
		[Upto March (Correction)]

* The actual expenditure is not yet available and would be presented to Parliament with the Appropriation Accounts after approval by the C&AG

(c) and (d) The effects of inflation and price escalation are taken into account at the time of budget formulation and budgetary reviews. The impact of the recent hike in the petroleum prices will be felt on defence expenditure in the current financial year. This will necessitate an estimated increase of about Rs. 200 crores in the Defence Budget to sustain the operational and training needs of the Defence forces.

Indian Army Officers Employed in PSUs

4813. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of serving General and other officers of the Indian Army employed in the Public Sector Undertakings as Managing Directors or in other capacities;

(b) the basis of these appointments;

(c) whether such officers continue to remain on the active rolls of the army establishment;

(d) whether they are governed by the army rules of discipline, or the discipline of the establishments, which have hired them; and